Decision on reservation in IITs

1998. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken a decision for reservation in favour of OBCs for the IIT admission from 2007-08;

(b) if so, whether there is a proposal under active consideration of Government to make such a reservation in favour of the minority community;

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons for such a discrimination against minority community?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) A Bill in respect of Central Educational Institutions, including the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), has been introduced in Parliament.

Shishu Mandirs in the country

†1999. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the number of Shishu Mandirs in the country, State-wise details thereof;

(b) the total number of boys and girls seeking education in these Shishu Mandirs;

(c) whether Shishu Mandirs receive any kind of Government assistance; if not, where from they meet their total expenditure; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (d) Information regarding the number of "Shishu Mandirs" in the country is not centrally maintained by this Ministry. No assistance is provided by this Ministry to "Shishu Mandirs".

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.